

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

SMALL ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM

December 27, 2004

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- ☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
- ☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via facsimile.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT					HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	33	-	36	=	0		\$25	\$0.00	
INDEPENDENT	3	-	6	=	0		\$100	\$0.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM								\$180	\$0.00
							TOTAL	\$0.00	

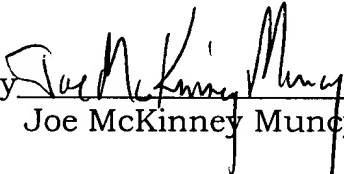
- ☐ Petition for () month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment(s)



MS AMENDMENT
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Applicant:	LUCAS, James et al.	Conf.:	4275
Appl. No.:	09/831,449	Group:	1744
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For:	STERILISER		

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. BOX 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated September 24, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Amended Claim Set; and

Remarks.